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The reply brief filed has been considered and entered. The rejections were based on claims presented in Appendix B. The claim of Appendix A is not entered. The application has been fowarded to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences for decision on the appeal.

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